

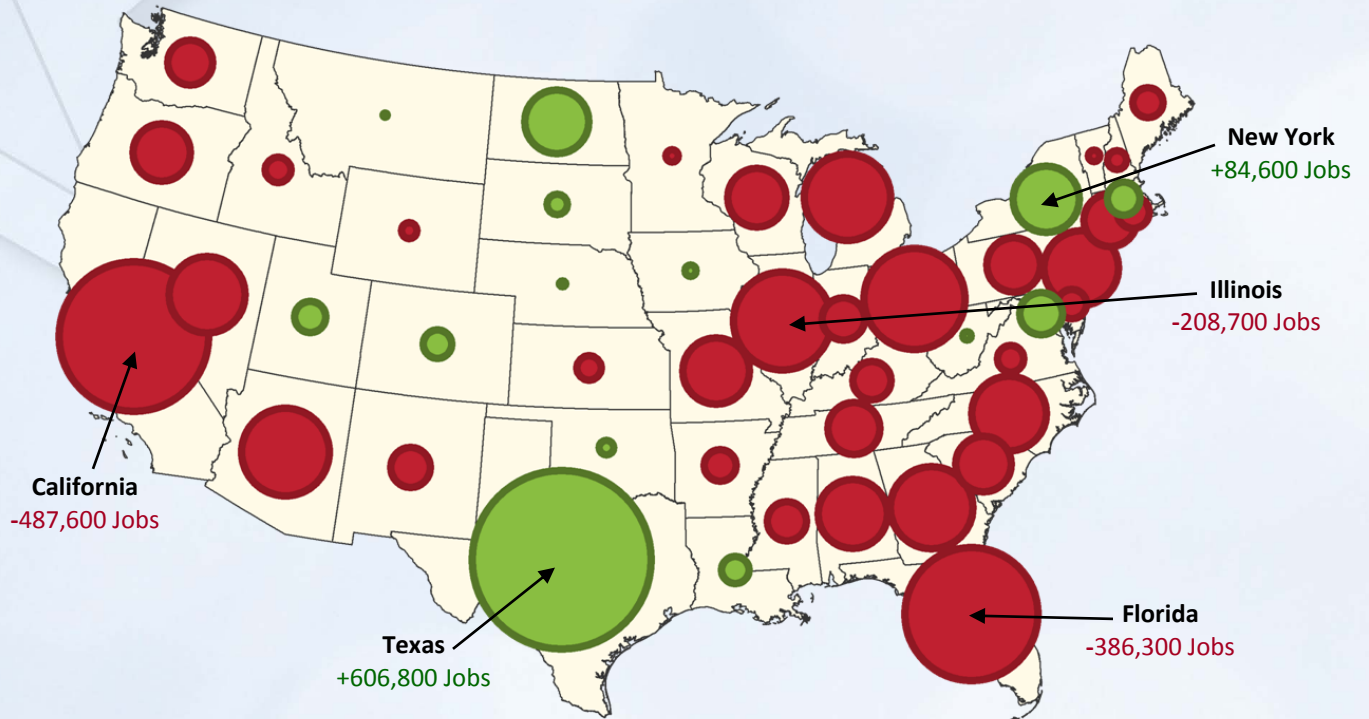


# STATE-TO-STATE COMPARISON

July 2013

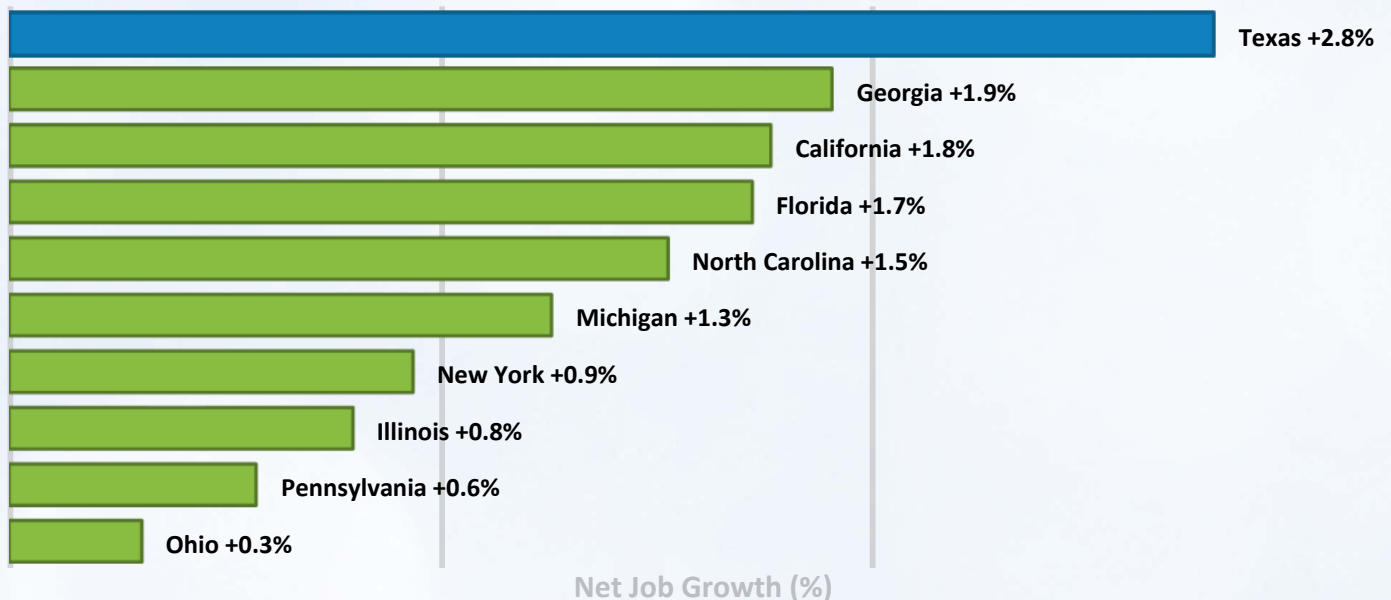
## Bouncing Back from Recession

Texas has over half a million more jobs today than it did before the recession (January 2008 vs. June 2013), while many other states are still climbing out of a deep hole.



## Texas Job Growth Sets the Pace

Over the past year, Texas employment has grown the fastest of the 10 most populous states.



## Houston Leads All U.S. Metros in Total Exports

In 2012, Houston was the No. 1 U.S. metropolitan area for exports, surpassing New York City for the first time. As a whole, Texas has been the top exporting state for 11 consecutive years.



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce

## Unemployment Rates in the Biggest States

In June 2013, Texas had the lowest unemployment rate among the ten most populous states.



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics